

# Honesty Among Physicians: a personal reflection

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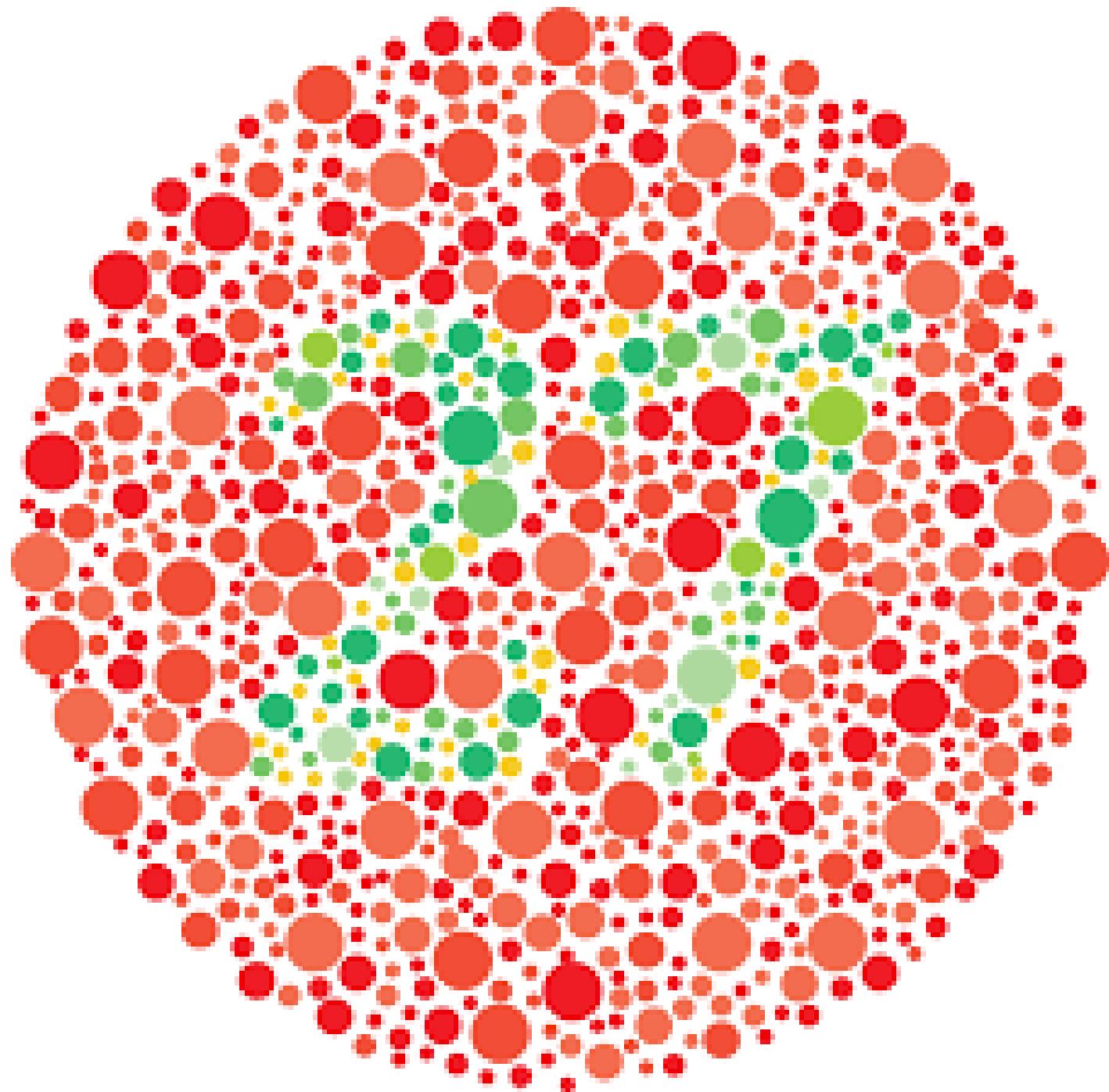
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**A man who is color blind who also tells him the red ball is in his left hand (tells “the truth” as he sees it – is honest)**



**We agree, therefore, that a lying person (doctor) acts with clear intent to hide what he /she knows is Truth from another person (patient, family member)**

**What drives doctors to lie?**

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**When a doctor lies to a patient he is in a real but imperceptible way, diminishing his patient's life, a stark violation of our Oath that we shall "do no harm"**